## FORTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Mesers, CONKLING and EDMUNDS, from a personal knowledge of Judge Peck, bore testimony to his integrity and ability. Mr. Enmunos reviewed the action of the Legislature, criticising it very harshly.

Mr. TELLER read a dispatch from a gentleman whom he said was of the highest respectability and character, begging him for God's sake to delay action on the bill till they could reach Washington.

MER was entitled to the floor in his own right for an hour. He had only asked for five min-utes of the time of the gentleman from Louisions, and he was willing to concede that time. islana, and he was willing to concede that time.

Mr. MILLS said that yesterday Mr. Hall:
rose to a personal explanation, and he wanted
to know from Mr. Harris whether he intended
to ent off the right of his party friends to reply to Mr. Harris arraignment of the party
Mr. HARRIS wanted to get along with the
actual business of the election case. He objected to delay by extraneous discussion.
Mr. SOUTHARD insisted that Mr. CLYMER

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mr. SOUTHARD insisted that Mr. CLYMER
was entitled to the floor in his own right.
Mr. MILL'S expressed the hope that the dehat would be allowed to go on.
Mr. HARRIS (Va.) said the House was perfectly aware that one personal explanation ledto another and another. He was willing to
yield a few minutes to Mr. CLYMER to reply
to Mr. HALE, but with the understanding that
no further time should be taken up with these
explanations.
Mr. REED gaid that, under the circumstances, be would then be compelled to object
to Mr. CLYMER proceeding, because what he
would say might require a reply.
The SPEAKER asked Mr. HARRIS how long
he was willing to give for debate.
Mr. HARRIS was not willing for an indiscriminate discussion. He would concede one
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Mr. TOWNSEND (N. Y.) hoped the time would be equally divided.

Mr. RILAND gave notice that he would object to any speech not in order.

Mr. STEPHENS gave notice that after Mr. CLYMER had spoken he would move to post-point the Speaker's table.

Mr. FOSTER suggested that that motion be made now.

Mr. STEPHENS declined. He was willing to left Mr. CLYMER speak, and let that end the discussion.

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Mr. FOSTER said it would be a long way from ending it.

Mr. BLAND insisted upon the regular order.

The SPEAKER ruled that if the regular order was insisted upon he would be compelled to recommend the compelled to recommend the compelled to recommend the compelled to the considered as compelling a compromise of the breeoguse Mr. Paucz, of Iowa, a member of the Committee on Elections.

Mr. BLAND withdrew his demand, and Mr. COX (Ohio) renewed it.
Mr. CLYMER gave notice that he would embrace the earliest opportunity-to reply to Messrs. Halk and Uarriello.
Mr. PRICE was then recognized, and proceeded to speak upon the merits of the election case, arguing in favor of Mr. Darrall's right to retain the seat. Regular Session.

Regular Session.

REMATE.

Wernesseary, February 20, 1878.

After the presentation of a number of petitions, memorials, &c., in the morning hour, Mr. COCKRELL, offered a resolution directing the Commissioner of Agriculture to furnish the Senate with such facts and information as he may have in his possession relating to the disease among hogs, commonly known as the hog cholers, with such information on the subject as he may be able to communicate. Adopted, Or motion of Mr. INGALLS, bills were taken up and passed gramting pensions to Eighacht D. S. Stone, Emma Baptist, Dalsy Saptist, and Anna I. Robbins.

On motion of Mr. DOESEY, the bill to extend the charter of the Franklin Insurance Company, of the city of Washington, was taken up and passed.

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Mr. HARRIS (Va.) demanded the previous question and rose to close debate. He said that one of the speakers on the question to day had warned the Democratic party that retributive justice might come back for the action proposed to-day. It holded perhaps as though retributive justice had come. In the Forty-dirat Congress Mr. Darrall was scated against his opponent, although there was a unjoirty of over eight thousand against Darrall. In order to seat Darrall the House went behind the election returns and three out eight thousand voice.

Regular Masses at St. Aloyslos and St. Dominies.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. HARRIS (Va.) demanded the regular order of business, which was the contested election case of Acklin vs. Darral).

Mr. CLYMER claimed that be was entitled to the floor, as he had got it list night.

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The resolution declaring Mr. Acklin entitled to the seat was adopted without a division, and Mr. Acklin advanced to the Speak.

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The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN of Washington—which, since Mr. Chapp assumed the editor-torial chair, shows spirit and ability—refers to the difficulties of jurisdiction which may prevent the President from taking a positive by the difficulties of jurisdiction which may prevent the President from taking a positive by the difficulties of jurisdiction which may prevent the President from taking a positive by the difficulties of jurisdiction which may prevent the President from taking a positive by the difficulties of jurisdiction which may be the difficulties of jurisdiction which may be the standard was sent and the first panel of the establique was seen an excellent filters and the deceased bontif and his one of any control of the catallique was seen an excellent filters and the sent of the catallique was seen an excellent filters and the sent of the catallique was seen an excellent filters and the deceased bontif and his one of any set of the standard was placed a velocity filters and the sent of the standard was placed as a velocity filters and the sent of the standard was sent of the st

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The display of flowers was magnificent, and was
the object of universal admiration. To quote from
the words of Fatter Prescribe, formerly corriessor
to the Pape, the decorations were in far cours.

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Aloysis. The choir, augmented by the addition of many of our best-known annatours, under the direction of Mr. H. Sherman, roudered Mozait's 'Roanient Mass,' with organ and full our debetted accompanium, in a superin sature. Server closed by the produce of Chopina "tream! Funeral March" by organ and or chostra.

BT. DOMINIC'S CHURCH.

The correlations of Sh. Donalule's took place at ten o'clock, and were timposing. The church was obeyond the was five feet in hughl, owered with block which was five feet in hughl, owered with block which was five feet in hughl, owered with block which was five feet in hughl, owered with block which was five feet in hughl, owered with block which was five feet in hughl, owered with block with the case was an account of the case of a solid trougs, furnished by though leafs son, and the same that was the children at the case of solid trougs, furnished by though leafs son, and the same that was the children of the case of solid trougs, furnished by though leafs son, and the same that was the children of the case of the case of solid trough, furnished flowers, and with a cross worked to the centre. The caset was surrounded with lighted candles. A cross, made of calla little, rested at the foot of the caselet. Father Fortune celebrated asset. Father Eddin acting as deason; and Father Revillo' whickeren. The same was Schmidt's required mass. At the official lights was schmidt's required mass. At the official lights was schmidt's required mass. At the official lights with the sun of the case of the case of the control of the case of the case of the control of the case of the c

WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 21, 1878.

The Death of "Boeter" Horner-Patal Re-sult of a Pamily Quarrel.
William Horner, the isventor of "Horner's Mix ture," and a classifier well known through bi-connection with various Democratic clubs during

connection with various Democratic clubs during
the past few years, was killed yesterday morning,
at his home, No. 117 Virginia avenue, by his soniclaw. Thomas Clarton, the wexpen used being a
poker. The tragedy occurred in the diming-room
of the bothe. Clarton and Horner met there about
eight of clearly restrating. Had feeling was
occasioned between the two because Horner abused
his numerical daughter, Lillie. Horner then cursed
that memorical daughter, Lillie. Horner then cursed
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door. Claxton interfered, and Horner turned upon
him, abreving him because he didn't go to work, mstead of living at him. Clarton releated something about Horner's debts. The quarrel increased
in bitternes, until the He was passed, when Claxton picked up the poker from the table and left if
for at Horner's beath. Horner was stiting in a chair
at the table at the time, and the poker struck labu
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fell out of the chair upon the floor and died very
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THE POKER WAS THROWN
the prong entered the head. The only witnesses
the quarrel and housiede wax Miss Kmily Hore
that Claxton's little son. The recept used was
from poker, about three-eight mark as the hide's
from both inches long, which has been straighten

afterward turned over to the police of the First Frecinct to await the result of
THE INQUEST.

At one o'clock yesterday Coroner Patterson held
an inquest at the resideone of the deceased.
Miss Fently Horner, daugiter of the deceased.
Miss Fently Horner, daugiter of the deceased,
testified that her father fussed with her and then
talked with Clazton. Saw Clazton throw the
poker, and when she turned it was lying on her
father's shoulder; they had passed some anary
words, but no threats; her father was sitting by
the table and Clazton was sitting about six feet off.

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## THE DECEASED.

in the content of the prisoner, is a man about twenty-eight years of age, with light hair and complexion, and rather pleasant face. He has been married to Horner's oldest daughter about five years, and has one child.

## EUROPE.

CIFIL, MILITARY, AND RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS.

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## THE EASTERN QUESTION.

A MASSACRE BY THE TURES.

LONDON, Feb. 29.—The Daily Ness has a setter from Beyrout, Syria, saying that Turkish foldlers have killed thirty and wounded tweny-two Druses in the village of Metulleh. The ttack was made under the pretense of arrest-

states the Greek insurgents, though at first suc confui in fighting near that place, are now in a critical condition. The Turks have capture some of their positions, and are now muste-ing regulars and Bashi Basouks for a gener

RENUER PASSIA'S RESIGNATION CONFIRMED. CONSTANTIOPIE, Feb. 20.—The resignation of Server Pasha is confirmed.

Mustapha Asym. Pasha, President of the Scante, will take charge of the Foreign Office sending the arrival of Safvet Pasha.

M. Ocon, first dragoman of the Russian empassy, has returned to Constantinople.

SERVIA DISTURBED.

BELGRADE, Feb. 20.—General Leschjanin has gone to Adrianople to endeavor to obtain a modification of the peuce preliminaries in favor of Servia, and to protest against the Russian occupation of Nisch. The Servians are already removing all their artillery from Nisch for safety.

BISMARCE'S SPEECH IN VENICE.

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LONDON, Feb. 20.—Rester's Vienna dispatch
says Bismarck's speech has caused eatisfaction
in political and diplomatic circles here, as it is
believed Germany has no intention of attempting to counteract the decided measures by
which Austria may have to uphold her inter-NEW DIPLOMATIC PROGRAMME.

CONSTANTINOPLE TO BE OCCUPIED.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Times St. Petersburg special, dated Wednesday, says it is now stated here that the British government will not withdraw the fleet to Besika Bry. Accordingly the Russians are likely to occupy Constantinople, or at least its faubourgs, if they have not done so already. Late last night there was an unconfigured rumor in circulation that they were already at Therapia.

[Note.—Direct communication between London and Constantinople is again interrupted.]

The Berlin correspondent of the Tisice says it is believed that Prince Bisuarek would have spoken differently, but for the conviction that Austria will avoid any rupture with

Meeting at Willard's Hall—A Memorial to Congress.

The American Forestry Association reassembled postering, at two clocks in Willard's Hall—A Memorial to Congress.

The American Forestry Association reassembled postering, at two clocks in Willard's Hall, the president Dr. J. A. Warder, in the chair, and quite a number of delegates present, several communications were read from different persons, who regressed the timbodity to attend.

Mr. John Scall, of the District of Columbia, chair, man of the committee on business, seminited his report, including the programme of proceeding, An address on Torgetry and its Needle, was deligated with the consideration of foreign affects of the following memory of the major of the major of the following memorial points are forth in the adversary of the following memorial was adopted unanimated to the fact of the following memorial was adopted unanimated by the president of the following memorial was adopted unanimated of the following memorial was adopted unanimated to present the committee of commences at the channel squadron received in the constitute of the following memorial was adopted unanimated to the following memorial was adopted unanimated to present the constitute of the following memorial was adopted unanimated to present the constitute of the following memorial was adopted unanimated to present the following memorial was adopted unanimated to the following memorial was adopted unanimated

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below of the was decompted the property of the company of the control of the cont

nal Pranchi will probably be appointed Pon-tifical Secretary of State.

The number of votes for Pecci given above presumably includes those of Cardinals who signified their assent to his election by kneel-ing.

SKETCH OF LEO XII.

The new Pope, Cardinal Joschim Pecci,
whose election is announced by cable, was latterly the Chamberlain (Camerlengo) of latterly the Chamberlain (Camerienge) of Pius IX. He was bated by Antonelli for some reason or other, and never become intimately known to the late Pope until after the docease of his minister. Had Autonelli survived Pius IX., then had Cardinal Pecci not succeeded to the pontifical chair.

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succeeded to the pontineal chair.

He was borf at Carpinetto, in the diocese of Arragui, of an old patrician family, March 2, 1810, and will consequently be sixy-eight on the 2d of next month. He was created Carlinal December 19, 1853.

He was in favor with Pope Gregory XVI., in whose household he was for some time as a prelate and private referendary, and who employed him as his delegate, first at Bensvento, then at Spoleto and Pernyia, where he did good work in ridding those districts of the prevailing securge of brigandage. Peeci was subsequently sent as mucho to Brasels, created archbishop of Pernyia, and was one of the caudidates for whom the old Pope reserved the honor of the purple when he died, in 1816. Peeci remained, however, a Cardinal in petto, in spite of the good offices of the King of the Belgians, who solicited the new Pope, Pina IX., to fulfill the bignevolent intentions of his predecessor. Seven years clapsed before Pina IX. came to the resolution to do justice to the caudate of Gregory's choice, and this delay was owing to the ill-will of Cardinal Antonell, who dreaded the influence of an able man over the Pope's mind.

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At last, of the 19th of December, 1853, Pecciar received the hat; but for many years he was left in the cold at his see of Perugia, the Cardinal and Secretary of State standing in the way of any preferrment which might bring a dreaded rival too near the Vatican. In 1874, we are told, upon the death of Cardinal Barnaba, Prefect of the Propaganda, an English prelate suggested Pecci to the people as a man competent to fill the vacancy. "Pecci," pleaded the Englishman, "is so learned a man and segood a bishop." "Just so," broke in the Pope; an excellent bishop, and we will leave him to take case of his dlocess." More recently another opening occurred. Upon the office of Pro Datario becoming vacant by the death of Cardinal Vannicell. Casoni, Pecci relied on his appointment, and leaving Perugia, he took up his quarters in Rome'in the Falcohieri palace; but he was again unsuccessful, the place being given to Cardinal Sacconi, and it is only since the retword of Antonelli by death that Pecci but he was again unsuccessful, the place being given to Cardinal Sacconi, and it is only since the retword of Antonelli by death that Pecci but he was again unsuccessful, the place being given to Cardinal Sacconi, and it is only since the retword of Antonelli by death that Pecci but he was again unsuccessful, the place being given to Cardinal Sacconi, and it is only since the received of the Cardinal Sacconi, and it is only since the received of the Papal through says. "Of high intellect, of a wall-tried and energetic mature, this Eminence has made not only an excellent bishop but has realized the type of a perfect Cardinal. As an administrator he man aged to clear Benevente of sungding and brigandage, as well as of the underhaud intrinses of the party of the nobility. As a man of intelligence he does not regard with an another of the papal through the received his to short a t

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# THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

DOINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES.

nation Gathered at the Capital, in the Departments, and About Town by the Re-porters of the National Republican.

The House Coumittee on Public Lands.

The House Coumittee on Public Lands has partly agreed to a bill forfeiting all land grants, terms of which have not been complied with, to the fullowing-named railroads: Northern Pacific, Texas Pacific, Atlantic and Pacific, To the following-named railropds: Northers Pacific, Texas Pacific, Allantic and Pacific, Oregou Central, Hastings and Dakota, St. Paul and Pacific (St. Vincent extension and Brainerd branch), Wisconsin Central, North Wisconsin, Houghton and Ontenagou, Detroit and Milwaukee, Little Rock and Fort Smith, St. Louis and Iron Mountain, New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Vicksburg, North Louisians and Texas, Florida, Atlantic and George Pensacola and Georgia, Albama and George (Sirard, Coust and Tennessee, Alabama and Florida, and Gulf and Ship Island. It is estimated that this bill, if passed, will restore to the public domain about 100,000,000 acres of land. The committee also greed to granting lands for school purposes in the Blates of Arkunsas and Alabama; restoring to estimated under the homesteed laws all vascant unappropriated lands heretofose withdrawn for the Mississippi and Missoul Railroad in Iowa; and restoring to the market certain lands in Utah Territory.

Congressional Committee Work Yesterday.
The Committee on Rallways and Canals concluded hearing argument on the Dismits Swamp Canal bill. Marshall Parks, president of the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal Com-pany, spoke against the bill, and Hon. Jesse Yeates, of North Carolina, in favor of it. The subject was then referred to a sub-committee consisting of Mesers, Cabell (Va.), Clark (N. J.), and Camp (N. Y.) Colonel T. W. Clark, of Boston, argued be-

good before the House Judiciary Committee on the several bills looking to a reorganization of the judiciary system of the United States. The House Committee on Elections had af-

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The House Committee on Elections had affidavits submitted to them in the Frost-Meticalle contested election case from the Third Miacotri Congressional District. The affidavits, which were submitted by General Frost, set forth that on election day there were one thousand special United States marshalls sworn in, who, it is elaimed, were former convicts and men of generally bad character. Mr. Frost's case was referred to a sub-committee onesisting of Mesers, Candler, Colst and Hiscock, who are to report whether or not the time for taking testimony should be extended.

The sub-committee of the House Committee on Pacific Bailroads, having in charge the different bills relating to the Toxas Pacific Railroad, have coaculated their deliberations. The majority of the sub-committee, Mesers, Honse, Chalmers, O'Nelll, and Cole, will submit a bill, accompanied by a report, athoring in the main to what is known as the Tom Sects bill, which pledges the United States to a guarantee of the interest on the bonds of the road to the extent of SSS,500,000. On the other hand, Mesers, Morrison, Luttrell, and Blair will soffmit a report antagolizing the granting of any aid in the construction of the road.

The House Committee on Elections will to-day take a vote in the Dean-Field case, from the Third Congressional District of Maesachusetts, and it is now believed that there will be a majority report in favor of Dean Chemecrat, the only Democrat on the committee for the cole of the cole, and the cole of t

committee haveing Field being Mr. Lander, of Georgia, Adjutant-General E. D. Townsend, U. S. A., tearlifed before the House Committee on Military Affairs yesterday respecting the management of his office.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections have consented to hear an argument from Mr., Sala-lin Hecher Hocker in favor of the proposed sixteenth amendment and navo fixed upon Washington's littidaty. Friday the 25th, for the occasion. A large musber of Senators joined fit the request for a hearing, with the graderstanding that a suitable room and scate should be provided for such members as may wish to attend.

The Folk Investigation.
The Committee on Vivil Service Deform
restering continued the investigation of the
Donckeeper's department.

tified that some of the men on the laborers' roll couploy substitutes at about \$10 per month. One of from studies law and another John N. Rad testified that he was em-

ployed from November 4 but in December found that he was not on any roll. Colonel Polk loaned him 850 when he applied for his pay, eaving that he could pay it back when he was unid out of the \$33,500 appropriation. On January 19 Polk told him he might continue work, but us to his pay he must take his